

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) An agent for improving depression-like symptoms, which comprises D-ribose.
2. (Original) The agent for improving depression-like symptoms according to claim 1, wherein the depression-like symptoms are hypobulia, general fatigue, sluggishness, enervation, deterioration in concentration, memory impairment, abnormal sensation/obtundation such as impaired sight, decline in thinking power, indefinite complaint, drop in operation efficiency, or feeling of malaise.
3. (Original) The agent for improving depression-like symptoms according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the depression-like symptoms are depression-like symptoms accompanied by mental overstrain or mental disorder.
4. (Currently Amended) The agent for improving depression-like symptoms according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1 or 2, which comprises D-ribose in an amount of 10 mg to 100 g per day for an adult.
5. (Currently Amended) The agent for improving depression-like symptoms according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1 or 2, which further comprises at least one of a magnesium salt, an amino acid and carnitine.

6. (Currently Amended) The agent for improving depression-like symptoms according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1 or 2, which further comprises potassium magnesium aspartate.
7. (Original) A composition, which comprises D-ribose together with at least one of a magnesium salt, an amino acid and carnitine.
8. (Original) A food or drink for improving depression-like symptoms, which comprises D-ribose.
9. (Original) An agent for improving mental fatigue, which comprises D-ribose.